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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) San Diego - FBI Raids Small Casino in Organized Crime Investigation

(U) FBI and San Diego police detectives raided the Lucky Lady Casino in eastern San Diego yesterday and issued a search warrant as part of an ongoing investigation by the FBI's Organized Crime Squad. Additional searches also were carried out at the neighboring sports bar and numerous residences around the county, and more arrests are anticipated as additional evidence is uncovered. Last year FBI and state agents raided the Palomar Card Club, located roughly four miles west of the Lucky Lady, and the Seven Mile Casino in Chula Vista in what was described as a two-year long investigation into an illegal gambling ring.

SOURCE: 27 July 2016, San Diego Union Tribune

(U) NATIONAL

(U) District of Columbia - Deadly Ambush Attacks Against Cops Have Increased Dramatically This Year

(U) Washington – The number of law enforcement officers killed in ambush-style attacks has increased dramatically this year, according to a report issued yesterday by the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund. Sixty-seven law enforcement officers died in the line of duty this year, 32 of which were firearms-related, a 78 percent spike from last year's deaths. Fourteen of the firearms-related deaths were ambush attacks, over triple the number for the same reporting time frame last year. The report highlights concerns that in this new climate, officer safety is a high priority and difficult to achieve. SOURCE: 27 July 2016, ABC News

(U) District of Columbia - Significant Amount of ISIL Intelligence Recovered in Syria

(U) Washington – The US Military announced yesterday that it has recovered and used a significant amount of intelligence material, including four terabytes of data from digital devices, from retreating Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) fighters in the city of Manbij, Syria. Coalition forces jointly have gathered over 10,000 different items with valuable information including thumb drives, laptops, textbooks and notebooks from the battlefield. Thus far, the recently obtained information has not uncovered any evidence of fighters being launched to Europe or further West. SOURCE: 27 July 2016, ABC News

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(U) Pennsylvania – Protestors Break through Democratic National Convention Security Fence

(U) Philadelphia – Several protesters briefly broke through a security gate outside of the Wells Fargo Center last night. Seven people were detained, and later arrested by the Secret Service, for breaching the fence. The individuals face felony charges for entering a restricted area. Additionally, one police officer suffered non-threatening injuries while trying to stop someone from cutting into a separate fenced off area.

SOURCE: 28 July 2016, NBC 10

(U) New York - Appmobi Launches World's First Real-Time Cyber Attack Detection App

(U) Poughkeepsie – Mobile security company, Appmobi, announced today the launch of the Appmobi

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Protection Center, a first-of-its-kind complete mobile security solution that detects and resolves attacks at the app level. The App was built to defend against any type of threat and launches with support for common threat vectors like brute force login attempts, code injections and reverse engineering. SOURCE: 28 July 2016, PR Newswire

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Afghanistan- US General Asserts ISIL in Afghanistan Linked to Parent Group

(U) Kabul – ISIL's presence in Afghanistan is directly linked to ISIL in Iraq and Syria according to a statement made yesterday by the US army general in charge of American and NATO troops in Afghanistan. It is believed that ISIL supporters in Afghanistan have financial, communication and strategic connections to ISIL senior leadership. An Afghan led and US supported offensive currently is underway to target the roughly 1,500 ISIL supporters, also known as the Islamic State-Khorasan Province.

SOURCE: 75 July 2016, Business Insider

(U) France- Hollande Announces Creation of a French National Guard

(U) Paris—French President Francois Hollande announced today that the country will form a new National Guard to protect citizens in the wake of multiple terrorist attacks that have occurred over the last year and a half. Following the Bastille Day attack, Hollande announced that thousands of reservists would be called up to boost weary security forces. The government urged all able-bodied volunteers to come forward with the goal of boosting the current 28,000 reservists by 12,000 more bodies. Roughly 2,500 individuals have already signed up.

SOURCE: 28 July 2016, New York Post

(U) Germany-German Police Raid Mosque and Apartments in Crackdown on Salafists

(U) Hildesheim – German police have searched a mosque and eight apartments in Hildesheim that are believed to be a part of the German-speaking Islamic Circle (DIK) hotbed of a radical Salafist community. Germany is on high alert after a series of attacks since 18 July that have resulted in 15 deaths and dozens of injuries. Hundreds of police were involved in yesterday's raids which came on the heels of months of planning. The DIK has had numerous members of its mosque travel to Syria and Iraq to join ISIL.

SOURCE: 28 July 2016, Reuters

(U) Morocco – 52 Suspects Arrested in ISIL Terror Cell

(U) Rabat – Morocco's Interior Ministry arrested 52 people suspected of being part of a cell linked to the ISIL. The arrests occurred on 19 June and represent the largest group detained in the country's efforts to identify ISIL. The suspects were planning attacks on various sites inside and outside Morocco, including music festivals. No further information was provided about the individuals, though authorities noted that weapons, explosive and chemical weapon manuals and books on suicide bombings also were seized during the arrests.

SOURCE: 27 July 2016, Associated Press

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Mexico – Mexican Border Agency Seen as Aiding Illegal Immigration

(U) Mexico City – Grupo Beta is a humanitarian organization that steers north-bound migrants through the crossfire of warring drug cartels. But in Texas, many view it as part of a pipeline that sends humans and drugs pouring into the US, all with the funding and backing of the Mexican government. The

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organization is supported by Mexico's National Institute of Migration and provides assistance for migrants in Tamaulipas state, across the border from the southeast Texas region which includes such cities as Brownsville, Laredo and McAllen. The 25 year-old agency was created to help Tijuana deal with huge numbers of migrants passing through, but has since expanded its reach across both the northern and southern borders of Mexico. Critics say the agency, whose motto "vocation, humanitarianism and loyalty," is complicit in breaking US laws.

SOURCE: 26 July 2016, Fox News

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